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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a consumer who supports broadband competition. I am a Sonic residential subscriber, and I would be "materially affected" by the petition to the FCC to dismantle key components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act. In fact, those effects would be profound; without access to UNE services, Sonic wouldnt have been able to connect consumers like me while they build their fiber networks, nor fund the construction of their fiber networks. And once fiber networks are built, UNEs are still used they connect from city to city and are the key backhaul for all of their fiber networks.

I am a rural customer and rely on broadband to connect with friends and family.

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